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Dan Buckshi
County Administrator

(sent via email to: dbuckshi@co.slo.ca.us)

Dear Mr. Buckshi,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Cal Poly Administration & Finance Division. It has come to my attention that San Luis Obispo County is considering exploration of Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) and I would like to strongly encourage San Luis Obispo County to explore CCA. For background, the 2014 California State University Sustainability Policy requires that we:

- Pursue energy procurement and self-generation to reduce energy capacity requirements from fossil fuels and promote energy independence using available economically feasible technology for onsite and/or renewable generation.
- Endeavor to exceed the State of California and California Public Utilities Commission Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) sooner than the established goal of procuring 33 percent of its electricity needs from renewable sources by 2020.
- Cooperate with federal, state, and local governments and other appropriate organizations in accomplishing energy conservation and utilities management objectives.
- Strive to reduce CSU systemwide facility greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2040.

Although we are a state entity, Cal Poly is part of San Luis Obispo County's jurisdiction with regards to utility procurement choices. We are interested in CCA because it is being shown in several parts of California to provide participating customers with both lower cost power and lower GHG emissions than the distribution utility. We are interested to understand if a local CCA program could provide these benefits to us as a potential customer.

Our primary contact is Dennis Elliot, Director of Energy, Utilities, and Sustainability. He can be reached by phone at (805) 756-2090 or email at delliot@calpoly.edu. Thank you for considering exploration of Community Choice Aggregation.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cynthia Vizcaino Villa".

Cynthia Vizcaino Villa
Senior Vice President
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cc: Juanita Holler
Dennis Elliot